

Dear Tim:

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Got your letter from Zihuateneho: ~~yes~~ saw Litwins here a few weeks ago for several days, they left us a pile of new type psylo ~~pill~~ pills & some mescaline, a godsend. Though I have not done anything with ~~them~~ ~~them~~ them yet except give to three young Bengali ~~poets~~ who saw colored wheels. Will be going back up to Sikkim later & meet maybe work with some Tibetan monks, I made date to do that & they were interested in trying chemicals. They are reincarnate higher-ups in the Lamaist tantric (far out) tradition & so should have something interesting to say. Meanwhile we sitting here top floor ~~moslem~~ moslem hotel ~~broke~~ as usual waiting for various checks to arrive from City Lights etc.

I went out to Belur Math the Vedanta center here but have not connected with anyone striking. I've lost Huxley's address, can you (Pearl) send it to me, I'll write him a short note ask who he recommends to see here, he should know. I've been reading Ramakrishna's conversations, & many books on Tibet.

If Pearl has any pills left before the ~~supply~~ supply runs out, it might be interesting to send some to Gary Snyder. I gave him my last from Tanger (7 old candys) when he left for Japan. He is ~~is~~ interested in finding out what ~~the~~ his Japanese Zen colleagues would say, & he is in position to get cooperation ~~with~~ without strain. Also he ~~is~~ had lots experience with Peyote with indian groups in USA as Anthro student / Says Watts in Japan was swinging & very elated & full of talk about LSD & future society built on sex tantrics. Also says he wrote you at Harvard & got reply from someone else that supply was limited. But if there is any left & you've not yet contacted the Zen people directly, this be worth while I think.

Has Huxley sounded down his Vedanta friends, and what do they say? I mean his Indian Swami ~~friends~~ friends? Litwin told me about Heard's opinion it all had to be done in esoteric groups; also told memore about Burroughs ~~visit~~ visit & Bill wanting to be rolled around ~~on~~ campus on wheelchair.

Calcutta very muggy & not conducive to energy, and I been down with bronchitis (after returning ~~is~~ from Sikkim) & slight kidneystone attack & sudden allergy to Penicillin & intermittent dysentery & now worms. I'm cured of all of them but it bogged medown.

Unfortunately I've not yet connected here for Guru or run into any striking holymen, yet, but I ~~guess~~ guess there must be. The Tibetans ~~are~~ sound like experts in their own forms of meditation however, but otherwise are sort of provincial & hung on their history-ritual which is now sort of anachronistic since they're out of office in Tibet.

What are you going to do later? Are you still with Harvard CRP? Where in India you ~~visit~~ visit? We be here at least another half year or more, wandering round. I thought to settle down in household somewhere for months but still not seen Benares, ^M adras, Nepal, etc so not done with educational sightseeing yet or found motive ettle.

OK-later -- love--
see you hep? --Allen